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CALIFORNIA'S FEEBLE MINDED

And Its Home for Their Care and Training.

Public attention in California was first effectively called to the need for making proper provision for the care and training for feeble minded children by Mrs. L. H. Bentley, wife of Rev. Robert Bentley of Berkeley, and Mrs. Julia M. Judah, wife of Henry R. Judah of San Francisco. These ladies called a meeting and that meeting appointed a committee. That is the way most good things start in this country and, although many meetings are called and many committees are appointed which do nothing creditable, it was not so in this case. These women were in earnest and were able to impart their enthusiasm to the meeting, and so something important came of it. Without enthusiasm nothing can come of any human enterprise. It is eminently proper, therefore, that California's home for the care and training of feeble minded children should have its "Bentley" and "Judah" halls. Speed the day when there shall be separate cottages, instead of mere wards, named after these two worthy women!

An Association Started.
The public meeting called as above stated, and held I believe at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco, resulted in the formation of a benevolent association. The best cure for pessimism I can prescribe, is a contemplation of the latest directory of associations formed for the purpose of making things better than they are. Every American town big enough to sustain a saloon contains more benevolent associations than saloons. This association took practical form July 31, 1893, and it opened a home for the feeble minded at White Sulphur Springs, near Vallejo, April 22, 1894. It was afterward removed to Fasking Park, Alameda county, where it remained until December 10, 1895, when the state bought 51 acres of land for it at Santa Clara. This home also proved inadequate, and in 1899 the state legislature appropriated \$200,000 for a new site, buildings and furnishings.

The New Location.
The Board of Trustees, with the cooperation of two special commissioners appointed for the purpose, selected what was known as the William McPherson Hill ranch near Glen Ellen, in Sonoma county, for the permanent home of the institution. The selection was unfortunate, it nothing worse. It was a "hill" ranch in more senses than one, for, although it embraced 1700 acres, there is scarcely one hundred acres of arable land in the tract, and it can not be counted on to furnish enough produce to feed enough cows to supply 500 children with all the milk they should have. The state made the mistake, repeated again and again, of buying acres instead of land. One hundred acres of good Sacramento or San Joaquin valley land would supply more produce, and consequently sustain more feeble minded children, than the entire 1700 acres at Eldridge. When it comes to buying land, the state of California is a perpetual tenderfoot and frequently a sucker. Plenty of View.

There is, however, a utility to be found in the beauty of the situation. Let us therefore be comforted. Backed up against one range of mountains and facing a range of lofty, swelling, farm covered hills, the landscape is so inviting as to pleasantly impress even a mind that is feeble while it is a constant comfort for the corps of care-takers, who need all the solace that a fine prospect can afford. The location should be regarded as permanent and the state should make the most of it and not be looking for another. Besides, every such institution needs a limitless amount of rough work for its male charges to perform and the conversion of these 1700 acres into land will supply this need until the end of time. By terracing hills and burying stones many a pretty garden can be made, and this is the sort of work that the feeble minded can do best and that is best for them to do. At a similar institution in New Jersey, the girls take almost sole care of a productive orchard and berry field. Limitless opportunities for such work are afforded by the 1700 acres at Eldridge. Perhaps after all, the feeble minded commissioners bought better than they knew.

The Plant As It Is.
The corner stone of the present institution was laid Nov. 10, 1890, and the institution was transferred to its permanent home the day before Thanksgiving, 1901. Since then, many buildings have been built, as the following schedule of constructive expenditures will make plain:
Boys' wing \$118,578.92
Girls' wing 85,779.25
"The Manse," kitchen and laundry 125,207.54
Water supply (totally insufficient so far) 18,428.19
Engine and boiler house 5,228.99
Residence for superintendent 3,779.73
Reservoir for water 4,993.21
Electric plant 6,405.82
Lux cottage (named for donor) 5,768.28
Three cottages (built together to make one) 12,500.00
Lavatories and baths 4,498.63
Fire protection system 4,990.66
Oil storage plumbing plant 2,500.00
Steam heating plant (put in afterward) 100,000.00
Original cost of "acres" 53,978.60
Dairymen's cottage 1,120.70
Sewer and septic tank (not well located) 1,999.27

Electrical fixtures 4,000.00
Extension to power house 1,917.76
Miscellaneous (Less than \$1,000 each) 3,585.25
Total cost of "Home," \$575,765.94
What The Earthquake Did.

The earthquake of April 18, 1906, inflicted a good deal of injury to the "Home." Nearly all the gables were thrown out and many of the walls were so cracked, that they had to be taken down, either partially or wholly, to the foundations. Repairs are still in the making and it is very likely that they can all be perfected and the institution returned to its pre-April condition before the end of the calendar year. But the children have not suffered meantime. Common sense temporary wooden shacks were put up and the children have been enjoying a summer outing, with improved health and an increase of freedom, although the work has been distinctly harder for the attendants and officers. The special session of the legislature appropriated \$72,500 for the work of restoration, and that fund may prove sufficient for all claims upon it, but it is open to some doubt. The walls were not especially well built, but the floors were better anchored than Agnew, and the construction forced the gables out and not in, so there was no loss of life and little injury inflicted to the inmates. There were some bruises and scratches, but that was all.

The Population.
At the end of the fiscal year terminating June 30, 1906 there were registered in the California Home for the care and training of feeble minded children, 327 males and 267 females, a total of 594, and the population has a constant tendency to increase. During the fiscal year above mentioned, 85 new applicants were admitted, 20 were discharged and 25 died. On Sept. 19, there had been admitted into the home 1305 children, of whom 154 had died since July 6, 1897, and 178 had been discharged. Prior to July 6, 1897, there had died or been discharged, 373. The first admission of which there is any existing record was December 10, 1885. There are also a number of inmates away on leave of absence, so that the normal number in attendance is in the vicinity of 520. That for September was 514. Including the officers and attendants, the entire population of the institution was a few more than 600. The pay roll includes from 85 to 95, owing to the exigencies of season and condition.

What It All Costs.
During the 57th fiscal year, the California Home for the care and training of feeble minded children, expended \$62,948.44 for the general support of the institution and \$48,632.23 for salaries, a total of \$111,580.67. To this should be added \$8,483.00 received from paying inmates, but which is usually expended for improvements not provided for by special appropriations made by the legislature.

However, this is not altogether a burden to the state treasury. Each of the counties in the state is required to pay \$10 per month toward the support of feeble minded children whose parents are not able to pay for them. From this source, the state received back into its treasury during the year ending June 30, 1906, the sum of \$62,077.50, or nearly as much as the support fund, so that, as a general proposition, the state furnishes the land and buildings, keeps them in repair and pays the salaries, while the counties and the paying inmates, board and clothe the children. This arrangement may be fair enough all around, but there is no logical reason why counties should pay toward the maintenance of feeble minded children at Eldridge and not be required to pay toward the support of insane persons confined in hospitals. It just happened so.

Pressure To Get In.
I counted 139 registered names on the waiting list for whom room can not be made in the institution, but this list does not represent one-fourth of the number desired to be admitted. Discouraging prospects have deterred others from applying. There is an urgent need for making the institution bigger. There are few burdens more grievous to be borne by an ordinary family than the care and training of a feeble minded child. An Oregon boy attached to the ankle of the mother would handicap her scarcely more. To relieve such a mother and family of such a burden, is the very highest and most beneficent form of public charity. An appropriation of \$17,500 was made by the last legislature for epileptic girls, but it will be a year before this can be built. This will enlarge the capacity by about sixty. If the coming legislature shall provide for the erection of the administration building to complete the main structure as originally planned, accommodations will be found for sixty more. There is some room for feeble minded girls and boys and these wards are seriously over crowded.

Good Care Taken.
To one unaccustomed to these children, children from seventy years old down to seven, yet children none the less, nothing could be more repulsive, but there are persons with so much of grace in their hearts that they can not only tolerate, but learn to love these unappealing unfortunate, yet incomparably happy human beings. That love is returned with all the lavishness that a dog will manifest for its master and after much the same fashion. I have seen benighted, twisted human monstrosities lay hold of the hand of

Dr. Dawson, pat it, press it to the cheek and look up into his eyes with unutterable devotion, and all because he has ever been kind. The law of love is the disciplinary system of the "Home," and the attendant who can not make himself amenable to that law must give up place to someone who can.

Not Quite Up To Date.
There is little by way of criticism that I shall have to offer upon this institution. It is in good hands and good care is being taken of the inmates, as good physical care as anywhere, but not as much is being done along educational and industrial lines as in some other institutions I have seen, pre-eminently those at Waverly, Mass., and at Vineland, New Jersey. If Dr. Dawson were to visit these institutions he would return with a new enthusiasm for a higher sort of work than he has so far attempted. The requirement to be exacted of state and institution is to make the most of these creatures that the material in them will allow. That end is not quite reached at Eldridge, although a great and good work is being done.

The Supreme Needs.
The supreme needs at Eldridge are for auxiliary institutions, one for feeble minded women of child-bearing age that the source of much feeble mindedness, criminality and pauperism may be cut off. The other is for an epileptic colony for those who are not distinctly feeble minded nor yet insane. There are acres enough at Eldridge for both of these institutions, although the state may be a little shy on land. The one management can handle all three institutions as one, without multiplying boards of trustees and executive officers. In the name of a charity at once of the highest character and the most prudent and profitable, I commend the establishment at Eldridge of these auxiliary "Homes."

A Wise Cat.

This from the esteemed Amador Ledger:
"Some party, or parties unknown, secured possession of the Ledger office cat, during Wednesday, and decorated the same with a red ribbon collar and the orthodox democratic emblem—a miniature bell. This was intended as a good joke on the Ledger office. Thursday morning the pet cat came seemed delighted to greet us with this symbol of democracy suspended from its neck, and is still carrying it as a non-voter's mute protest against the methods of the Santa Cruz convention. We haven't the least idea who was the perpetrator of this practical joke, but if it was designed to rile up the party feelings of the editor, it was a miserable failure. We want every one to understand that the cat is under good republican training, if it is wearing a campaign bell."

That's a wise cat, brother. Long may he be so, as the case may be—flourish his, her or its tail in the comfortable surroundings of your sanctum. The Egyptians were a great people and did not disdain to honor their cats or to inquire at their oracles. Imitate their example. Consider the ways of your office cat, for they are ways of wisdom. Consult its, his or her venerable whiskers when in doubt.

As the result of much practice, we think we can read between lines, and we will bet a conky that right down deep in the center of your own heart, brother, you are making a good, strong protest against that Santa Cruz deal yourself. We have a suspicion that when you get in that booth, election day with nobody but yourself, your ballot and your conscience, you and your cat will be pretty near in agreement. We suspect, brother, that right there you will ring a little bell yourself, for the good of your party, your state, and your own soul.

You and your cat come pretty near being both on the Lord's side, Brother Ledger.—S. F. Star.

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Youth and Pleasure.
Youth is not the age of pleasure. We then expect too much, and we are, therefore, exposed to daily disappointments and mortifications. When we are a little older and have brought down our wishes to our experience, then we become calm and begin to enjoy ourselves.—Lord Liverpool.

Fortune.
Fortune is like the market, where many times if you can stay a little the price will fall, and again it is sometimes like a sly's offer, which at first offends the commodity at full, then cometh part and part and still holdeth up the price.—Baena.

A proper secrecy is the only mystery of able men. Mystery is the only secrecy of weak and cunning ones.

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY

Reported weekly for the Ledger.

A Vision of Wealth.—The Safest Safes.—A Humbug Ology.—The Coming Museum.—A New Astronomical Science.—Rapid Picture Printing.—A Botanical Puzzle.—Brittle Nails.

The electrolytic recovery of gold from seawater is still a dream of many European chemists. A. Nodon proposes to use as electrodes sheets of copper and lead or lead and cast-iron, each about one twenty-fifth of an inch in thickness, and to surround these plates with porous canvas bags for collecting the gold that falls to adhere. The baths, within reach of the tide, would have a depth of two meters and a width of ten meters (about 33 feet). With cement partitions every 40 meters, a battery of 100 such baths could be run together, and it is calculated that this would furnish 150 grams of gold per day of twelve hours. In this time, 3,000 cubic meters of water would be treated, a current of 50,000 amperes at 2.5 volts being required. The annual cost is estimated at \$12,000, and the profit is figured at \$20,000 on a capital of \$40,000.

British safes, we are told, would have prevented great loss at San Francisco, where the contents of a large proportion of so-called fireproof safes and vaults were destroyed. The American plan of insulating with a filling of insular earth or asbestos is condemned as sure to fail in severe test, and it is affirmed that not a fireproof, but a steam generating and moisture evolving composition—drying to a non-conducting material—is needed to keep the inside cool for the longest possible time. English makers allege that this difference gives superiority to their safes.

Graphology has been proven by Alfred Binet to be utterly without scientific value. Experts failed to distinguish between the hand writing of a man and that of a woman, of an old man and of a youth, and of a scientist and of an idiot. The pan-manship of a brutal murderer was pronounced that of a young girl of great moderation.

In America's evolution, the university and the public library have been added to the little red school-house, and the public laboratory and the industrial museum may reasonably be expected soon. The importance of the last is urged by Alfred Sang in the Engineering Magazine. This would be a great educator of the entire public, would stimulate invention, and would safeguard ingenious mechanics against many mistakes and much repetition. As the best existing example is cited the Conservatoire des Arts et Metiers of Paris, which was established during the Revolution for the free teaching of the applied sciences. It provides evening courses in 22 subjects, has extensive testing laboratories, a museum of 13,000 models and pieces of apparatus, an industrial library of 40,000 volumes, and a reading room containing periodicals, but it is now years behind the times. One of its interesting exhibits is a Scott graphophone, which gave a tin-foil record and reproduction of a cornet solo before Edison was born.

The ideal museum would have a section or alcove for each industry, which would be under the supervision of an expert, and would show up-to-date processes, with models of proven apparatus and of ideas that have proven failures, also raw materials and the literature of the subject, and all would be easily accessible.

Planatology, the new science proposed by Prof. E. S. Morse, would study the conditions of distant planets by applying geology, meteorology, physical geography, geodesy and other terrestrial sciences. It confirms the idea that Mars is inhabited, and their seasonal variation has been proven by the most careful observers, including Prof. Morse himself, and our earth knowledge strongly suggests that as the scant Martian water supply is released from its winter locking up in the polar ice caps, the systematic irrigation works conduct it to the most suitable spots, where it creates oases of vegetation.

Black walnut now comes chiefly from southwestern Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Indian Territory. The annual production is about 33,000,000 feet, most of which goes to Germany. The new process of illustration brought out by Sir Joseph Swan is described as a combination of photograph half-tone and colotype. It makes possible the printing from the plate of several hundred impressions per hour and it is adapted for plain, smooth paper, which is much more agreeable to the eye than the usual glossy surface. The ruled glass screen is used to break up the tones into dots of different sizes, as in ordinary half-tone pictures. In half-tone work the printing ink is left on the highest surfaces of the block; in photogravure it is wiped off from the raised surfaces and taken up by the paper from the depressions, and in colotype the printing surface is quite flat, greasy parts retaining the ink while the remaining surface is wet and repels the ink. In the new process, the hollows hold the ink, while the highest surface is made repellent so that it keeps clear without wiping as the rollers pass rapidly over it.

Plant memory is a problem for the inquisitive botanist. In 1901 a plant allied to the squash and pumpkin was brought to New York from the desert of Sonora, in Mexico, and since then it has been kept—without watering—in a strange climate 3000 miles from home. During the six weeks of rain in the desert the plant grows its leaves and flowers and perfects its seed. Then it dries up, and leaves only a water filled gourd, which a thick, hard shell seals against animals and evaporation. The transplanted specimen still remembers the rainy season of six weeks. It wakes, sends out rootlets, stems and leaves, and then dries up again until the following year.

The peculiar brilliancy of their tails is sometimes an advantage to certain lizards. Perching head downward on a rock, the diamond-tailed gecko, for example, is often seized by a hawk, when the tail snaps off, and the animal calmly wriggles away to grow another.

Washington Letter.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington D. C. Oct. 13, 1906.
The showing of the war department is exceedingly good for the embarkation of troops for Cuban service. According to the statement of the quartermaster general's office, it has taken just twelve days to get all the troops afloat, the last expedition, having already left Newport News, is probably by this time on the Cuban soil. This is the more remarkable in that there was only one transport, the Sumner, available when the emergency occurred. Both quartermaster general Humphrey and his assistant are very proud of the showing that has been made. If transports had been available when the order was given to move the troops, the entire expedition could have been afloat within one week. As it was, however, steamers had to be chartered and re-fitted for use as transports. In addition to the men that have been sent, accounting altogether to 6000, there has been over 2000 horses shipped aboard large quantities of stores and ammunition. It is understood that Newport News will be made the base of supplies as long as it is necessary to retain military control in Cuba.

There have been numerous changes of station in the warships now in Cuban waters. It is thought that it will be necessary to retain only four cruisers there, the Cleveland, the Tacoma, the Des Moines, and the Denver. Several vessels will be kept at Key West, while the Minneapolis and the New York have already been ordered back to the United States for necessary repairs.

The question of ultimate annexation comes up much oftener from Cuban sources than the United States officials are willing to discuss it. It is said, unofficially, at the state department, that there is not only no present intention of annexation, but that this country will refuse every opportunity in that direction, and the Cubans must make their chances with another trial of government on their own responsibility. What might happen should this second trial fail is a question that nobody in authority in Washington is willing to discuss just now.

The long agitated question of the retention by this government of the Isle of Pines was again broached to secretary Taft. The residents of the Isle, who all along have been anxious for American government, sent an urgent petition to the secretary, but it is very well understood that the position of this government has already been taken and there is no likelihood that anything the American inhabitants may say will have the slightest effect.

Officials of the immigration department are going on a still hunt for the people whom it is supposed have been evading the alien contract labor law for a long time past in importing English girls to work in the southern cotton mills. This case was first brought to light by the detention in Washington of a girl who gave her name first as Hilda Harves and afterward as Hilda Elliott. She said that she was going south to visit relatives and had been deserted in Washington. It afterward developed that she had been in South Carolina for some time and that she was really on her way north, instead of south, when she applied to the police for assistance. The girl's conflicting stories aroused suspicion, and there afterward developed strong probability of extensive immigration frauds. Preparations were made to send an inspector to Gaston, N. C., but the case was kept quiet in the belief that premature publication would defeat the ends of justice. One of the Washington papers, however, broke faith in the matter, and as the whole story has now been printed, no harm can be done by referring to it. It is alleged that agents have been working extensively in England, attracting young girls to this country with the promise of high wages and good working conditions. It is believed that as many as 1000 have been imported to different points in the south. Once landed here, the girls were bitterly

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undecieved, and it is said that the Barnes girl was escaping from the southern country, when her money gave out. Since then money has been sent her in an effort to get her out of the reach of the authorities and put a stop to the investigation, but it is now too late to do this.

Another bad story of southern cruelty has been laid before the department of justice, which has been asked to send a special agent to inquire into labor conditions south of Tampa, Fla. It is claimed that hundreds of men are held there in virtual slavery in the phosphate mines, the turpentine groves and the lumber camps. Most of these men are negroes, but it is said that many of them are white. They are surrounded by armed guards, who do not hesitate to use their rifles at the first attempt to escape, and the residents of this sparsely settled section are afraid to give evidence to the authorities so that the case is rather a hard one to work out. One of the features of the story is that the owners of these slaves are not southern men, but that in reality big northern capital is back of the most of the enterprises, where this peon labor is used.

A very interesting report has been issued by the department of agriculture on the subject of the American wheat crop. The author is Mark Carleton, who has been in charge of this special line of investigation for some time. His conclusion is that although the United States last year produced 93,000,000 bushels of wheat there is no reason why this crop cannot be more than doubled. Mr. Carleton says that a crop of a billion and one-half bushels is quite within the range of possibility, which would make the United States produce more than half of the entire wheat crop of the world. The department of agriculture is now busy, both in expanding the wheat producing area by the introduction of new grain that is adapted to conditions where wheat is not now grown, and in increasing the yield over the territory where wheat is now raised.

Real Mortifying.
"George kissed me last night," she said, "and I'm so mortified that I hardly know what to do."
"Why do you regard kissing before you are engaged as a disgrace?"
"No, but in my surprise I forgot to make a pretense of fighting him off for a while."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Giving Him Hope.
The pretty girl was lavishing a wealth of affection on her mastiff, and the very soft young man was watching her.
"I wish I were a dog," he said, lamely.
"Don't you worry," she replied. "You'll grow."—London Tit-Bits.

Neither evidence nor common sense nor reason has the slightest effect upon prejudices.—Goethe.

To Tell Eggs' Sex.
"It is usually possible," said a chicken farmer, "to tell from an egg's look whether it will hatch out a rooster or a hen. The egg that will hatch out a hen is, you see, quite smooth at both ends. The one that will give a rooster is wrinkled at the point. Sometimes this rule fails, but as a general thing it holds good."

He Couldn't Run or With It.
The freaks were forming a club. The elastic skin man had the chair. "Next in order," said he, "are nominations for treasurer. Has any one?" The wild man of Borneo rose. "I nominate," he said, "the 'legless wonder.'"

Lots of Care.
"You know, George," she was explaining, "I was brought up without any care."
"Marry me, my darling," said George, "and you shall have nothing but care."

Would Be More Careless.
Heavy Father (ciously)—Now, see here, Molly, don't let me catch you and young Devoet flirting together in the conservatory again. Guileless Daughter (demurely)—No, father, you shan't.—Ryndander.

Greatness is to take the common things of life and walk truly among them.—Schreiner.

If an article is imitated, the original is always best. Think it over, and when you go to buy that box of soap to keep around the house, get the DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is the original and the name is stamped on every box. Good for eczema, tetter, boils, cuts and bruises, and especially recommended for piles. Sold by F. W. Rubeiser.

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FRIDAY.....OCT. 26, 1906

An Ill-Timed Speech.

Jud C. Brusie, in his speech Saturday evening, traveled out of his way to make personal mention of the editor of the Ledger. And while he referred to the writer in complimentary terms, the object of his personal allusion was plain to the audience—to take a fling at him, because of his well known objection not only to the methods of Gillett's nomination at Santa Cruz, but mainly to the outrageous tactics resorted to in order to prepare a supposedly representative body of republicans to accomplish that denouement. Mr. Brusie, in his frothy utterances, was unwise enough to challenge the writer to give any good reason for supporting Bell in preference to Gillett, in this campaign. We should be very sorry to confess that we are unable to give any better reason for refusing to support Gillett, than he furnished in his disjointed speech for supporting the candidate of his party. We believe never since the Ledger was established 52 years ago, has it withheld support from a republican nominee for governor. This year, however, we regretfully state that we cannot give support to the head of the ticket. Not because we have any objection to Gillett personally. On the ground of fitness for the high office to which he aspires, he is perhaps as suitable as any man that could have been selected from the list of candidates. Personal qualification is not the vital issue in this contest. Neither is the record of the republican party in the past fifty years of glorious history a material factor.

It is the conservative wing of the party that is resolved to administer a rebuff to the autocratic element, who have inaugurated the policy of nominating candidates without consulting the rank and file of the party. When radicals think they can do as they please, and nominate whom they want, regardless of the wishes of the masses of republicans, it is time to call a halt, and read to them a lesson from the returns of the ballot that will serve to restore them to sanity. The truth is a coterie of officials of the party entered into a conspiracy with powerful influences, to deliver the nomination to the man selected for that position—selected not by the choice of the people, but to carry out their selfish ends; and to accomplish their pre-determined purpose, instructions were sent out to allow neither sense of right nor party usage, nor the wishes of the majority to interfere with the success of the scheme. Government by the people and for the people, in party matters, was thrust aside at the behest of the dictators. And after ignoring the masses of voters in this manner, they now make a sharp turnabout, and call upon the party adherents thus ignored to help elect the boss-nominated candidate. The woods and towns are full of loyal republicans who will not bow the knee to this political Baa. Chin music moreover of the Brusie order, is not calculated to turn them from the straight path. The republican party is greater than any man in it. It is bigger than Gillett, and stronger than the politicians who conspired to foist him upon the ticket. Its interests will be better served by Gillett's defeat than by his election. They do not vote against the party but for it, and to save it from a repetition in years to come of the disgraceful doings of the Santa Cruz convention.

Sympathy is no doubt a strong plea in politics. Many a man has been elected who would have been defeated, had it not been for the use of the sympathetic method. But there is such a thing as pushing it too far, and too often. It may come in as an incidental matter, but to depend upon it as the main support is flimsy. From the democratic side this sort of reason for keeping the incumbents in office is the principal stock in trade. Circulars are being scattered broadcast, addressed to individual voters, to help the candidate support himself and family by keeping him in office. And in conversation the same plea is being urged. These dernier resorts have just the reverse effect to that intended. The voters are tired of such appeals. The county government they think should not be run on a sympathy basis any longer, but on a common sense business basis.

Reports are favorable for the election of both republican candidates for Supervisor. In district three, A. Grillo is leaving nothing undone to further his re-election, and the prevailing opinion so far as we can learn, is that he will succeed by a good margin. In township five politics on the township officers is at fever heat. John Grambert is working and going all the time, and making headway. L. Burke, the democratic candidate, is fully aware that he has a hard fight. The road work is here, and it is in most supervisor fights, the fruitful source of complaint against the incumbent. Supervisors would stand a much better show of re-election if the road business was taken out of their hands, as it certainly should be. This road patronage is an element of weakness, rather than strength.

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Feed your hair; nourish it; give it something to live on. Then it will stop falling, and will grow long and heavy. Ayer's Hair Vigor is the only genuine hair-food you can buy. It gives new life to the hair-bulbs. You save what hair you have, and get more, too. And it keeps the scalp clean and healthy.

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CLEAN SWEEP WANTED.

It is not a matter of wonder that there is a strong drift toward making a clean sweep of the court house crowd, and the dependents thereunto belonging. There are substantial reasons for this feeling among the voters. Economical government is not a matter of consideration at all. On the contrary to an observant mind it is evident that the ways of the reigning clique are not the ways of economy. New ways of putting it all over the taxpayers, of supporting outside business firms in preference to home industry, are constantly occurring.

It matters not whether this patronage is given under the color of law or not. The truth is, no county officer is justified in sending work outside of the county, when the same can be done equally well, and equally cheap, inside the county. Home pride, a desire to uphold the home industry, should control, even if the option to send the work beyond our borders exists. Two weeks ago the Ledger pointed out that the contract annually let for stationery has not for years past included the principal item of stationery—namely, the record books of the respective offices. These are ordered and paid for without any "contract with the lowest bidder" as the law requires. Thousands of dollars have been paid out in this manner. Such allowance of bills is illegal. We maintain that the sums so paid out could be recovered by legal process from the officials responsible therefor. In the matter of printing the rates have not been definitely established for eight or ten years. Orders for printing are sent to outside shops, perhaps for the reason that the print shop of the party to which the official belongs is not prepared to do the work. It would be disloyal to the party to send to an office of a different party faith, but it is all right to make the taxpayers support printing offices outside. A large amount of work is not covered by the schedule of rates fixed years back. In some instances the county has actually paid from six to eight times as much for work as a private firm would or should pay for such work. This is all wrong. It is not in accord with efficient government. Whether it is the outcome of partisan prejudice or what not, it should be stopped, and stopped by making a clean sweep. Amador people are proud of their county. They believe it more entitled to consideration in the distribution of taxpayers' money, than any other territory. Let us have a new deal. Stop the small leaks.

Republican voters should beware of all trading propositions. We understand overtures of this nature are being made in the interest of one or two democratic nominees. They are evidence of weakness in that side. Of course, such arrangements rest entirely on the good faith of the parties thereto. Generally speaking, those proposing such schemes do so simply in desperation to catch a vote or two for themselves, without intending to give anything in return. Republicans should steer clear of all such proposals. Their tendency is demoralizing, and if discovered, they do harm rather than good to the candidates to be benefited. Have nothing to do with trading votes. The republicans are appealing for support on the basis of merit, and for a new deal in county affairs. Stand or fall on that solid ground. The outlook favors the election of pretty much the entire ticket. The democrats are on the run, and are desperate at the prospect that the berths they have filled so long, and want to fill for an indefinite period longer, are slipping away from them. Don't be fooled by their tactics of promises to trade.

No Trading.

We have received from the state controller's office a tabulated statement showing the assessed value of property, indebtedness, etc., and the tax rate in the respective counties. From this Amador, with a tax rate of \$2 on the \$100 for state and county purposes, occupies a medium place in the list. There are twelve counties with a higher rate, namely, Calaveras, \$2.20; Lake, \$2.30; Mariposa, \$2.80; Mendocino, \$2.10; Mono, \$2.50; Nevada, \$2.40; San Bernardino, \$2.20; San Diego, \$2.25; Santa Cruz, \$2.20; Sierra, \$2.20; Trinity, \$2.00; Tuolumne, \$2.70; Ventura, \$2.25; Yuba, \$2.80. Yuba has the distinction of being the heaviest taxed county in the state. There are six other counties with the same rate as Amador, namely, Fresno, Inyo, Placer, Plumas, San Benito, Shasta. The lowest rate is in Siskiyou, which manages to get along with a \$1.50 levy.

Tax Rates.

Don't get left, but get here early and get your choice of our entire stock of blankets. Jackson Shoe Store.

Sheriff Vote Four Years Ago.

As a matter of general interest, we publish the vote by precincts four years ago, on the contest for sheriff, between T. K. Norman and U. S. Gregory. It will be seen from the figures, that Norman carried every township in the county, with the exception of township 21, which went to Gregory by the slender margin of ten. We cannot see that Gregory is stronger today than he was four years ago. The vote is as follows:

	Norman	Gregory
N. Jackson	88	91
E. Jackson	75	51
S. Jackson	64	70
W. Jackson	88	44
C. Jackson	80	81
Clinton	37	53
S. Ione	71	83
N. Ione	94	94
Buena Vista	16	23
Larcha Plana	28	19
Antelope	43	19
Oleta	68	67
Volcano	91	59
Pine Grove	73	45
N. Amador	54	44
S. Amador	39	55
S. Sutter Creek	73	53
E. Sutter Creek	93	76
W. Sutter Creek	49	46
Drytown	65	44
Forest Home	29	23
N. Plymouth	69	57
S. Plymouth	65	36
Totals	1456	1233
Majority	223	

A Flank Movement.

The candidacy of Wilford Dennis, for assessor, seems a flank movement as it now stands, to injure the present republican incumbent and candidate, J. Marchant. It is true, that Dennis announced himself as an independent candidate long before either of the old parties had made nominations. It is also true that some weeks ago, he left the county and state, and it was reported that he had gone to New York to stay, and the notion of assessing property along socialist lines was abandoned. But as soon as the candidates were lined up for battle he reappears, and starts to stump the county, ostensibly for himself, but in reality to defeat Marchant. Indeed, it is proclaimed that, while he does not expect to get there himself, he will draw votes enough to defeat Marchant. It is useless to deny that it is an easy matter to engender dissatisfaction on assessment matters. There is not an assessment roll in the state that would stand a crucial test, but we believe Amador will compare favorably in the matter of equal assessment with any other county. Flaws can be found, and always will exist. But when W. Dennis wants to create the impression that the farmers are being imposed upon for the benefit of the mine owners; and that any re-adjustment that he would make would relieve them to any appreciable extent of the burden of taxation, he is simply "away off." He could not change the assessment as he proposes, if he would; and he would not if he could. As we have shown in a previous article published in the Ledger, the mines and large property holders, are paying over two-thirds of the taxes of the county, proving from the records the utter unreliability of the figures of the independent candidate. Don't be fooled by such misrepresentations nor throw your vote away on wild and impracticable methods of socialist dreamers.

Every right thinking man, whether republican or democrat, should cast his ballot for E. C. Hart, republican candidate for the appellate court of this district. When candidates for high judicial positions were tumbling down before the dictators at Santa Cruz, bawling and howling and violating their pledged word, in their eagerness to secure a place on the ticket, Hart withstood all their blarneyings, refused to sanction betrayal of the trust of the Sacramento delegation for his benefit. He preferred to go home a defeated aspirant with a clear conscience, and with his manhood intact, than to stoop to traitorous methods to win a nomination. The convention admired this manly attitude, and gave him the highest vote. Let the voters do likewise. He deserves to be signally rewarded for his stand for decency and good faith in politics by receiving the largest vote of any man on the judiciary ticket. Pardee wanted to shake hands with the man who came out of the ordeal unscathed. Let the voters show their appreciation by giving him such a vote as will place him away above his fellow in popular estimation.

It is not in order for any one who has tied at the public crib for several terms, to plead poverty or sympathy as a reason for support at the polls. Such talk is rather nauseating. Intelligent voters think that one who has failed to lay by something for himself in a prolonged period of public service at a good salary, should give place to another, and they so think without any abatement of their sympathetic feelings.

No man of violent or uncontrollable temper should be elevated to public office. That fact in itself should be a sufficient ground for a voter, actuated from a desire to do his duty as a patriotic citizen, to vote against him. An executive officer should be calm and dispassionate under all circumstances. To lose his temper on slight provocation should be looked upon as a fatal defect that ought to close his pathway to public service. If one in office displays a disposition of inhumanity, no matter under what circumstances, he may be relied upon to bring discredit upon the people he represents. Keep all such spirits from control. Let us have at least the milk of human kindness in official life, for unkindness is disgraceful anywhere, and nowhere more so than in officials.

DeWitt's Witch Salve
 For Piles, Burns, Sores.

DRYTOWN.

Carlos Torre of Seattle, Washington, is here visiting his brother, G. L. Torre. The infant daughter of J. Calandra died Tuesday with pneumonia, and was buried the following day. Miss Marie Giannini returned home Wednesday evening, after three months' vacation in the city. We are all glad to see her back.

The democratic speaking was held here Tuesday evening. It was well attended. A crowd from Plymouth came in a hay wagon. A dance followed lasting until the small hours. The republicans will speak here Friday the 26th. Miss Mary Griffith came up from Sacramento last week for several weeks visit with her grandmother, Mrs. Worley. Mrs. Hill left Wednesday morning for Marysville, to visit friends for a few weeks. Max.

AMADOR.

Mr and Mrs George Wrigglesworth jr. of Jackson, spent Sunday afternoon here. Mrs William Stout and daughter, Miriam, accompanied by Mrs S. J. Pierce, returned to Sacramento Monday morning. Landon Kauffman departed Monday morning for Redding, where he has secured a good position. Miss Maud Pierce was a passenger on the outgoing stage Monday morning, bound north on a vacation. Mrs W. Palmer is visiting relatives at Bunker Hill.

Will Berryman, who was injured in the Keystone mine sometime ago, was taken much worse Friday morning, but we are glad to say he is in a better condition, and the doctors have every hope for his recovery.

William Dunlap, our popular druggist, is learning to skate. The only bad luck we can wish him is that the floor will not be too hard. R. S. Chase has returned from Jackson.

The Amador band played one evening at the skating rink, and everyone was surprised, as the boys are very scary with their music.

Miss Louise McLaughlin, one of our popular school teachers, went to Jackson Saturday. Inquirer.

Lost—Friday afternoon, Oct. 19, on Main street, a black head bag containing \$7, and a P. O. box key. Kindly please leave it at the Post Office.

Stray Notice I have a yearling red steer; came to my place about three months ago, has annoyed me considerably; has no brand, ear mark crop off right ear, hole in the left. Owner can get same by calling at S. Scipione ranch, Volcano.

Notice to Creditors.

Estate of Biancha M. Garbarini deceased. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, executor of the estate of Biancha M. Garbarini, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice to the said executor, at D. B. Spagnoli's law office, in the town of Jackson, Amador county, California, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate, in said county of Amador.

Dated, October 5th, 1906.
 JOSEPH G. GARBARINI,
 Executor of the estate of Biancha M. Garbarini, deceased.

Little Early Risers
 The famous little pills.



Republican Meetings

Hon. C. H. McKENNEY
 Nominee for State Senator,
 GEORGE SNYDER,
 Nominee for the Assembly,

And all the County Candidates, with other speakers, will address the citizens as follows:

Larcha Plana - Monday, Oct. 22.
 Buena Vista - Tuesday, Oct. 23.
 Ione - Wednesday, Oct. 24.
 Forest Home - Thursday, Oct. 25.
 Drytown - Friday, Oct. 26.
 Amador City - Saturday, Oct. 27.
 Plymouth - Monday, Oct. 29.
 Oleta - Tuesday, Oct. 30.
 Volcano - Wednesday, Oct. 31.
 Pine Grove - Thursday, Nov. 1.
 Clinton - Friday, Nov. 2.
 Jackson - Saturday, Nov. 3.
 Sutter Creek - Monday, Nov. 5.
 By order of County Central Committee.

C. A. HERRICK, Chairman.

A. M. GALL, Secretary.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Sacramento, Cal., Sept. 26, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that Arthur Eugene Leister of Jackson, Cal., has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 6885, made October 27, 1899, for lots 2 and 3, S. 1/2 of N. E. 1/4 and S. E. 1/4 of N. 1/2, Section 5, Township 7 N., Range 14 E., and that said proof will be made before R. Webb, U. S. Commissioner, at Jackson, Cal., on Wednesday, Nov. 14, 1906.

He names the following witnesses upon, and cultivation of the land, viz: Willis E. Hoss, of Pine Grove, Cal.; T. Rhodes, of Pine Grove, Cal.; Eugene Myers, of Pine Grove, Cal.; Wes Nichols, of Detendorf, Cal.

JOHN F. ARMSTRONG, Register.

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BORN.

HEDGEPAATH—In Jackson, October 23, 1906, to the wife of T. Hedgepath, a son.

NICHOLS—Near Ritchey, October 4, 1906, to the wife of W. Nichols, a daughter.

WILLIAMS—In Ione, October 13, 1906, to the wife of W. S. Williams, a daughter.

DIED.

MARTINETTI—At the Argonaut mine, October 26, 1906, Domenico Martinetti, a native of Italy, aged 25 years.

Notice of Stockholders Meeting.

Stockholders annual meeting of the Jose Gulch Mining Company, will be held at the company's office at Butte Basin (near Jackson) Amador county, California, on November 7, 1906, at 11 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of electing directors and transacting such other business as may come before the stockholders at that time.

G. W. Haines, president.
 J. P. Little, secretary.
 Butte Basin, Oct. 16, 1906.

Notice To Taxpayers.

Office of the Tax Collector
 County of Amador, State of California.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE taxpayers of Amador county, that I, T. K. NORMAN, Tax Collector of Amador county, did on the 8th day of October, 1906, receive from the County Auditor of Amador county, original assessment books for the year 1906, containing a list of the persons assessed for real and personal property, and the amount of State and County taxes due thereon for said year.

That said taxes are now due and payable to me at my office in the Court House, in the town of Jackson, county of Amador, State of California.

That the taxes on all personal property secured by real property, and one-half of the taxes on all real property were due and payable on the second Monday in October, 1906, and will be delinquent on the last Monday in November next thereafter, at 6 o'clock p. m., and that unless paid prior thereto, fifteen per cent will be added to the amount thereof, and if said one-half be not paid before the last Monday in April next, at 6 o'clock p. m., and that unless paid prior thereto, five per cent will be added to the amount thereof.

That all taxes may be paid at the time and place as herein provided, is due and payable.

First installment, one-half real estate and all personal property, due October 8th, 1906.

Second installment, one-half real estate and all personal property, due November 28th, 1906, at 6 o'clock p. m.

Second installment, one-half real estate, delinquent April 28th, 1907, at 6 o'clock p. m.

All the taxes may be paid in full at the time the first installment is due.

Taxes not paid according to law will be delinquent, and five per cent and a per cent and other costs will be added thereto.

Positively no Checks received for the payment of taxes.

T. K. NORMAN,
 Tax Collector of Amador county.

Notice to Creditors.

Estate of E. S. Potter deceased. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, administrator of the estate of E. S. Potter, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice to the said administrator, at his residence at Plymouth, in the town of Jackson, Amador county, California, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate, in said county of Amador.

Dated October 6, 1906.

H. E. POTTER, Administrator of the estate of E. S. Potter.

W. M. Nolce, attorney for administrator.

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and is now receiving Deposits and making Payments as heretofore.

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Having decided to discontinue business in Jackson I offer my entire stock of Tin and Agate Ware, Crockery and Glassware, Hardware, Crockery, Wood and Willow Ware, Notions, etc., at cost for cash. This is a genuine close-out. Will sell in a lump or in any quantity. Sale to commence Monday, July 30th.

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 Election Tuesday, Nov. 6, 1906

GEO. A. GRITTON,
 Regular Democratic Nominee for TREASURER.

D. A. PATTERSON,
 Regular Democratic Nominee for COUNTY RECORDER.

A. CAMINETTI,
 Regular Democratic Nominee for STATE SENATOR.

For 10th Senatorial District, comprising the counties of Amador, El Dorado, Calaveras, Alpine and Mono.

C. H. MCKENNEY,
 Regular Republican Nominee for STATE SENATOR.

For 10th Senatorial District, comprising the counties of Amador, El Dorado, Calaveras, Alpine and Mono.

GEORGE SNYDER,
 of San Andreas, regular Republican Nominee for

ASSEMBLYMAN.

Eleventh District, comprising Calaveras, Amador, Alpine and Mono counties.

GEORGE TUCKER,
 Regular Republican Nominee for CONSTABLE, Township 1.

W. E. PROCTOR
 Regular Republican Nominee for SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR.

If elected, the constitutional rights of every man will be respected in the enforcement of law.

GEO. C. JENNINGS
 Of Drytown, regular Republican Nominee for COUNTY RECORDER.

WM. G. SNYDER,
 Regular Republican Nominee for DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

C. E. RICHARDS,
 Regular Republican Nominee for COUNTY CLERK AND AUDITOR.

W. H. GREENHALGH,
 Regular Republican Nominee for SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT of Amador County.

FRED E. JACKSON,
 Regular Republican Nominee for TREASURER of Amador County.

JOHN MARCHANT,
 Regular Republican Nominee for ASSESSOR of Amador County.

HARVEY A. CLARK
 Regular Republican Nominee for JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, Township One, Amador county.

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Jackson, Cal.

TEMPERATURE AND RAINFALL

This table gives the highest and lowest temperature in Jackson for each day, together with the rainfall, as recorded by self-registering instruments kept at the Ledger office:

Date.	Temp. High.	Temp. Low.	Rainfall.	Date.	Temp. High.	Temp. Low.	Rainfall.
Oct. 1 (90).	50	34	0.00	Oct. 17 (96).	48	38	0.00
2.	48	33	0.00	18.	48	38	0.00
3.	48	33	0.00	19.	48	38	0.00
4.	50	35	0.00	20.	48	38	0.00
5.	50	35	0.00	21.	48	38	0.00
6.	50	35	0.00	22.	48	38	0.00
7.	52	34	0.00	23.	48	38	0.00
8.	48	30	0.00	24.	48	38	0.00
9.	48	30	0.00	25.	48	38	0.00
10.	48	30	0.00	26.	48	38	0.00
11.	48	30	0.00	27.	48	38	0.00
12.	48	30	0.00	28.	48	38	0.00
13.	48	30	0.00	29.	48	38	0.00
14.	48	30	0.00	30.	48	38	0.00
15.	48	30	0.00	31.	48	38	0.00
16.	48	30	0.00				

Total rainfall for season to date..... inches

To corresponding period last season.....

LOCAL NEWS

When you wish the finest flavored coffees and teas, remember that W. J. Nettie keeps only the best.

We make a specialty of printing all kinds of notes, receipts, checks, etc. Send your orders to the Ledger.

Frank Johnson returned from San Francisco Monday. He was called here on account of the serious illness of his father.

John Canoe, who has been visiting his relatives at New York ranch, returned to Stockton Business College Monday.

Mrs. W. H. Johns came up from Sacramento Friday evening, to visit her daughters, Mrs. F. Dutton and Mrs. E. Gutteridge. She returned Sunday morning, and was joined by her husband and son at Galt, and thence went to San Francisco, where they expect to make their future home.

Mrs. Matson and Mrs. W. Harvey and little son, James, left Sunday morning for Sacramento, where they will visit their sister, Mrs. Emma House, and Mrs. Matson's son, Myron.

Angelo Maroncelli, wife and infant son, came up from San Francisco Sunday evening. They expect to make their home in this city.

A. Picardo, who sent his stock of horses, eight in number, to San Francisco several weeks ago to work in the debris removing and rebuilding operations, has been in the city the past week or two, selling off all the horses, with the intention of quitting the business. According to report he had sold nearly all by the early part of the week. The price for this character of work has dropped, so that there is little margin to go on, and hence his decision to quit. Louis Picardo has been in the city in charge of the teams.

W. M. Fuller, arrived home at Scottsville, Saturday on a short visit, and left again Tuesday morning. He is engaged in mining in a new camp called Ramsey, about 17 miles north east of Virginia City. The ore bodies are of great size, and prospect for \$20 to over \$200 per ton. The camp is coming into prominence rapidly, and promises to be one of great richness. It is only six months old, and contains 500 people. He is interested in several claims, and a strong company has been organized to work them. About 60 feet is the deepest shaft so far sunk, and no ore has been treated, but arrangements are being made for shipping the same either to smelters in Utah or California.

Jos. Drendel, started for San Francisco Monday morning with his team, intending to go into the debris moving business.

Mrs. H. Well left for San Francisco Sunday morning on a visit. She has stored her furniture and effects, and the dwelling house has been rented to J. Gluckfeldt and family. She will engage in business there if suitable opportunity presents, and she is satisfied with the climate.

Mr. and Mrs. Hattersly returned from a pleasure trip to San Francisco, Monday evening.

J. H. Langhorst went to San Francisco Thursday morning, to purchase holiday goods in the jewelry line.

Joe Marre and Robt. L. Kerr, returned from their trip to Tonopah Thursday evening. They were not favorably impressed with the business openings in that region.

Miss Eva Kent returned from her stay with friends and relatives in San Francisco Thursday evening.

Nora Stewart came up from Sacramento to visit with her mother, Mrs. Gotlieb.

The hall for the skating rink is building up very rapidly. There are five men working on it, and they expect to have it up in about a month. Mrs. J. McCutchen returned home Wednesday evening, after a protracted visit with relatives in Woodland.

Official Map of Amador county, revised and corrected up to 1904, on sale at the Ledger office. The only map of Amador county obtainable, and sold exclusively at the Ledger office. Price, mounted and colored, \$10; unmounted and uncolored, \$5.

Divine service will be held in St. Augustine's church Sunday evening next, at 7:30 p. m. All cordially invited to this service. Rectory, W. T. Tison.

Republican Rally.

A big turn-out greeted the first rally of the republicans in Jackson last Saturday evening, the attractions being United States senator, Frank P. Flint and Judge C. Brusie. Love's hall was well filled, most of the voting citizens occupying standing room in the rear, the seating capacity being occupied by the fair sex. The attendance was about the same as at the democratic gathering the week before. The meeting was called to order by C. A. Herrick, as chairman of the county central committee, who announced Chas. H. Crocker as the gentleman selected as chairman of the meeting. Upon being introduced, he thanked the audience for the honor, and named F. M. Whit more, the Fremont republican, and W. P. Peek, as vice presidents, and these old-line members of the party took seats upon the platform.

The first speaker introduced, was senator Flint of Los Angeles. He made a plain talk, nothing flowery about it. It never rose to the rank of eloquence, and those who expected something beyond the ordinary campaign speech, were disappointed rather than otherwise. It was a common sense talk, mainly on national topics, and the record of J. N. Gillett, the candidate for governor, in the national legislature. He recommended him to the voters on the strength of his record. He had supported the bill regulating interstate commerce, on the part of railroads, prohibiting rebates and discriminating charges. He had upheld the pure food law—a law which promised to be of great advantage to the people of this state generally. He had voted for the P.-ma canal bill, and in favor of a lock system instead of a sea level canal. This canal was now in process of construction, and would be completed in seven or eight years, whereas a sea level canal would take at least 20 years to finish, and cost three times the amount. It was the conservative element that comprised the republican party—the party that did things; while the democracy was composed of the radical element. He wanted them all to support Gillett, state, congressional, legislative and county. He briefly referred to the local candidates by name; that every man on the ticket was capable and honest and deserving of support. He mentioned Fred Jackson, the candidate for treasurer, specially, being personally acquainted with him. He (the senator) was United States Marshal, when Jackson and others were engaged in the detective work in hunting down the Evans and Sontag bandits in the mountains of Fresno and Tulare counties, in which campaign Jackson gained a state reputation as a faithful and efficient officer.

Geo. F. Snyder, candidate for assemblyman, was next introduced. He spoke briefly, saying he was a native of Calaveras county, had worked on the farm and in the mines. The interests of the laboring man would command his attention and support. Jud C. Brusie was the last speaker. He amused the audience by a comic anecdote or two, and his racy way of saying things. He would like to see a Lincoln, Grant, Hayes, McKinley or Roosevelt republican that was going to vote for Bell. He also talked of the record of the republican party, what it had done for human kind. How democratic ascendancy brought business depression, panic and hard times, generally; how the republican policies had always restored the country to prosperity. He referred to the editor of the Ledger, and begged him to give any good reason for casting a vote against Gillett and for Bell. It was important to elect Gillett, and thereby announce to the nation and the world that California was in the republican column.

The meeting was not as enthusiastic as one could wish. It seems next to impossible to muster up any enthusiasm on either side in this canvass. The gathering dispersed with three cheers for the republican candidates all down the line.

At the time of 20 per cent off, we offer our entire stock of wool and cotton blankets for one day. Jackson Shoe Store.

S. G. Spagnoli came up from Richmond, Contra Costa county, Thursday last, as a witness in the will case of Mrs. B. M. Garbarini.

Mrs. Harvey Clark returned from Oakland Saturday evening. She was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Laswell, who has recovered from her illness.

Mrs. Bierore and little son, left Tuesday morning for their home in Butte county.

Now is the time to get blankets, we give you a special sale for Saturday, see our prices. Jackson Shoe Store.

The republican candidates started on their speaking campaign Monday evening at Lancha Plana, accompanied by R. C. Van Fleet. A. B. Summers, the candidate for surveyor, joined them Tuesday evening at Buena Vista, and will attend the meetings throughout the canvass. The reports continue to be very encouraging from a republican standpoint.

One Lubmer, who has been soliciting orders for the Jackson Shoe Store for the past year or more, left for San Francisco Sunday morning, with the intention of remaining there. Ledger & Chicago Inter-Ocean, \$2.50.

A marriage license was issued Oct. 20th, to Theresa Lucinda Nicols and Henry Howard Harker, both of near Volcano.

Julius Farnsworth, a resident of lone valley for many years, but now of Stockton, was in Jackson yesterday. He is traveling for the Aurora flour mills of that city.

Don't always be behind; for you know that good bargains are very scarce. We know that every one of you must have a pair of good wool blankets, Saturday at 20 per cent off. Jackson Shoe Store.

One day, a good chance in wool blankets, see our window for prices, just one day Saturday, at these prices. Jackson Shoe Store.

Unclaimed Letters.

In Jackson post office, October 26.

Armanini Keice, W. E. Burnham, D. Biscardi, Grimaldi Stefano, Lavezoli Francesco, D. Muanete, Yean Orogren, Polive Trajovovich, W. W. Winkley.

When a horse is so overworked it lies down and in other ways declares its inability to go further, you would consider it criminal to use force. Many a man of human impulses, who would not willingly harm a kitten, is guilty of cruelty where his own stomach is concerned. Overdriven, overworked, when what it needs is something that will digest the food eaten and help the stomach to recuperate. Something like Kodol for dyspepsia that is sold by F. W. Ruhser.

Stepped into the Shaft.

A young Italian miner, named Domenico Martine, met death in the Argonaut mine on Tuesday morning, falling down the shaft a distance of 400 feet. He was descending the shaft at the change of shift, preparatory to commencing his day's work. He reached the 2000 foot level—his destination. He got off there all right. In some unaccountable manner he must have become confused, and walked round the station to the other compartment, and stepped into the shaft. He fell 400 feet to the bulkhead, over the shaft sinking operations in progress. His body was mangled in a shocking manner, and death must have been almost instantaneous. His arms and legs were broken, and skull fractured. The remains were brought to the surface as soon as possible. An inquest was held in Jackson the same day. No blame could be attached to any one for the unfortunate occurrence. There was a light at the station where it happened. The victim had worked in the Argonaut only five days, although he had been employed in other mines in his county for some time.

There were four men on the skip at the time, and all got off at the 2000 station. The accident happened about seven o'clock.

The inquest developed no facts tending to throw any light on the affair. No one saw him fall into the shaft, but one employee heard him holler as he went down. How he came to go from the south compartment from which he got off at the 2000 level, "clear round," to the north compartment and step into it, is unexplained. There is a guard rail between the two compartments, so that he could not have walked into the shaft without going round. The jury found a verdict of accidental death. Deceased boarded at Parmino's in Jackson. The funeral took place on Thursday, the remains being interred in Sutter Creek.

TOWN LIBRARY.

Miss Mabel E. Prentiss, the public library organizer, representing the California State library, was in Jackson Saturday, and remained in this county several days, visiting the different towns which are not favored with a traveling library. Jackson has had the benefit of one of these libraries for over a year. Books are issued free of charge, and while the patrons are not as numerous as one would be led to expect from a city of this size, the book is greatly appreciated by the actual borrowers. It is not designed to continue these traveling libraries indefinitely in incorporated towns, large enough to support a town library at public expense, and one object of Miss Prentiss' visit here was to ascertain the feeling of the citizens on the project of starting a town library movement. The traveling libraries are intended more for small villages, where the settlers are scattered, and away from transportation facilities. In these places the reading matter, consisting of 50 books in a set, and embracing every subject, is the greatest benefit that could be conferred. Such places as Volcano, Pine Grove, Drytown, Plymouth and Oleta, ought to have one of these libraries. There are now 300 libraries of this character in the state. It is a heavy and increasing expense, but the benefits derived more than compensate for the cost. The mode of procedure to secure a traveling library is very simple, and instructions will be sent to any one applying therefore to the state librarian at Sacramento. There are three places in Amador county having a town library named, Jackson, Sutter Creek, and we are informed Amador City.

A meeting was called at the National hotel Tuesday evening, by Miss Mabel Prentiss, state library organizer, for the purpose of considering the matter of establishing a town library. There was such a slim attendance that no action was taken. P. W. Ruhser, the secretary of the traveling library, says that there are between 60 and 70 borrowers, and that over one half of the books are always in the hands of readers. The library is greatly appreciated by the citizens.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given to the District Attorney of Amador county, that on December 31, 1906, J. C. H. Clifton, will file an application for parole with the Board of Prison Directors.

A Grand Reception.

A reception was held last night in Odd Fellows hall, in honor of the grand president of N. D. G. W., Mrs. Eva Busenius of Los Angeles, grand secretary, Laura Frakes of Sutter Creek and the senior grand president, Mrs. E. Caminetti. The lodge room was very prettily decorated in stars and stripes, and the colors of the lodge, red, yellow and white. The banquet hall was decorated in pumpkins and blossoms and lanterns made of pumpkins with candles in the center. The table was festooned in smilax. The decorations, supper, program, and everything was arranged by the following committee, Emma Boardman, Mrs. Langston, Mrs. V. Podesta, Mrs. Ida Peek and Mrs. Angove.

The following program was rendered, after which the lodge repaired to the banquet hall to partake of a supper, which was served in courses: Address of welcome, Anna Ferovich; vocal solo, Miss D. Sanguinetti; reading, Mrs. H. O'Neill; instrumental solo, Mrs. H. O'Neill; remarks, Mrs. Busenius; instrumental solo, Rose Podesta; remarks, Laura Frakes; presentation of the program to the grand president, Mrs. E. Busenius, by the N. D. G. W.

For Sale or Rent—160 acres 1½ miles from lone all fenced, house and barn, 18 head of cattle, 60 acres under cultivation, 2 living springs; also irrigating ditch. For particulars inquire of Mrs. Norman Johnson, lone City, Cal.

DOCUMENTS RECORDED.

The following instruments have been filed for record in the recorder's office since our last report. We publish a complete list of documents recorded, and must decline to accede to any request to suppress any document from these columns. Don't ask us to do so.

Patents—U. S. to Mary E. O'Connell, 80 acres—35-7-11, also 160 acres 26-7-11.
U. S. to Simeon Prothero, 144 acres, 6-7-9.
U. S. to Fredrick Riek, 230 acres, 34-7-11.
U. S. to John Riek, 160 acres, 35-7-11, 160 acres, 21-9-16.
U. S. to William H. Brown, 160 acres, 35-7-11.
U. S. to Daniel Meyer, 160 acres, 27-7-11.
U. S. to John Moore, 120 acres, 28-5-10.
U. S. to M. E. Odell, Ogallala quartz mine, Robinson district.
Water Right—A. B. Summers, all water running in gulch, section 30 and 31-8-10.

Deeds—T. J. Gillett and wife to Geo. L. Gillett, lots 5 and 6, block 4, Volcano, \$400.
Matilda Kerfoot to Antonio Fontenrose, lot 4, block 16, Sutter Creek, \$5.

Mary E. Fontenrose to Antonio Fontenrose, lot 4, block 16, Sutter Creek, \$5.

Mortgage—F. D. Anderson to Geo. W. Easton, land in 10-7-9, \$1500, 1 year, eight per cent.

Mining Location—M. E. Gates, Jupiter, quartz, re-location, Oleta district.

M. E. Henderson, Keys mine, Robinson district.

Proof of Labor—M. E. Odell-Henderson, on Davis group in Robinson district.

Assignment of Mortgage—Charles Gilbert to Theodore Frederick, of mortgage executed W. N. Woodcock and wife.

Certificate of Redemption—Mrs. Tanner, land in 6-6-11, taxes of 1886, \$28.24; also ½ interest in Occident mine, Sutter district, taxes of 1898-1903, \$132.38.

J. K. P. O'Haver to John Browning et ux, part of lot 3 block, — lone, \$250, for one year at 10 per cent per annum.

Satisfaction of Mortgage—J. K. P. O'Haver to John Browning et ux.

Wanted 50 Men—For tunnel West. Powder driven by contract or day, \$2.75 or better. McLean and Sweeney, Oroville, Cal., Box 28.

Good Meeting.

Reports reach us that the republican meetings of the county candidates are well attended, and characterized with much enthusiasm. The voters turn out to greet them, and give them a cordial welcome. The candidates themselves make a favorable impression in their speeches. Hon. R. C. Van Fleet was with them as far as lone. He was then called elsewhere, and his place was taken by Mr. Johnstone, of Sacramento, who is an entertaining talker. He will accompany the candidates for the rest of the canvass. In lone Wednesday there was a big rally. Every candidate was cheered to the echo as he stepped to the front to make his address. J. Marchant especially was the recipient of prolonged applause, showing the appreciation in which he is held in his home town. One thing about the ticket this year, there is a sufficient array of speaking talent in the candidates to make an entertaining meeting, a condition which has not existed in previous campaigns. They are all confident of success, and are working in harmony for the whole ticket.

SHEANDOAH VALLEY.

Miss Rachel Robinson went to her home near Volcano Friday evening, returning to her school on Sunday. F. D. Davis came home from Volcano Saturday, and returned the next day.

Mrs. Susan Crain, who had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. F. A. Rouff, in Chinese Camp, returned home last week, but left today (Tuesday) for Cedar Grove, where her sons, J. and Hugh, and her daughter, Mrs. J. F. Mooney, are located.

The weather for the past week, has left much to be desired in the way of pleasantness. The hard north wind resulted in an epidemic of chapped lips and cracked hands. The cold nights have had a sorry effect on the gardens, while the clouds of dust, and the "cussedness" of things in general, have been disastrous to, temper. The ranchers, who have only their grain fields to think of, are wishing for rain. Those whose prunes are still on the drying trays, or whose grapes are not yet gathered, are as earnestly hoping for a week more of dry weather.

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SUPERIOR COURT.

HON. R. C. RUST, JUDGE.

Matter of guardianship of Irma P. Joyce. F. B. Joyce appointed guardian upon filing bond of \$600.

Estate of L. N. Martell—Order granted for the sale of personal property.

Estate of E. J. Campbell—Petition of Elsie C. Downs for letters of administration continued indefinitely.

Estate of L. J. Fontenrose—Petition for re-opening case granted.

Estate of B. M. Garbarini—Will admitted to probate.

Estate of Naomi Luttrell—Final account approved, and decree of distribution granted.

Estate of Henry Eudey—Order confirming sale of personal property, consisting of five shares of capital stock of Bank of Amador county, to C. L. Culbert, confirmed.

New Cases.

Estate of John A. Fregulia—Petition for probate of will filed—Joseph Fregulia appointed special administrator and bond as such filed and approved.

Can you win. You realize that to win in anything these days, requires strength, with mind and body in tune. A man or woman with disordered digestive organs is not in shape for a day's work on a day's play. How can they expect to win. Kodol for dyspepsia contains the digestive juices of a healthy stomach and will put your stomach in shape to perform its important function of supplying the body and brain with strength-building food. Digests what you eat, relieves indigestion, dyspepsia, sour stomach, palpitation of the heart and constipation. Sold by F. W. Ruhser.

Hotel Arrivals.

National—A Mitchell, Oakland; W. F. Englebright, Nevada City; R. D. Jones, Illinois; Miss E. M. Prentiss, Sacramento; H. M. Cooper, Nevada City; F. P. Flint, Los Angeles; Geo. Snyder, Calaveras; Mrs. F. C. Hammond, Miss Francis Hammond, Oakland; Will O. Newsum, Sacramento; G. M. Peterson, San Francisco; Geo. I. Wright, Del Monte mine; H. F. Pottinger, San Francisco; O. Burnett, Davisville; E. M. Lelick, Berkeley; H. C. Digges, San Francisco; G. W. Edwards, G. L. Price, Sacramento; A. W. Drummond, San Francisco; A. P. Clark and wife, Electra; Joseph Hahn, J. C. Gyle, San Francisco; E. L. Gibbons, J. Farnsworth, A. Duncan, San Francisco; C. E. Jarvis, Sutter Creek.

Globe—G. Martin, Oakland; C. Bradshaw, E. W. Fessel, Volcano; Carl Thomas, Plymouth; John Lester, Rich Gulch; W. G. Snyder, Sutter Creek; E. D. Boydston, Volcano; John Fontenrose, Electra; F. B. Joyce, Defender; Miss Lola Mercer, Miss Winnie Polson; F. Osteria; John Vanderpool, J. Ekkel, Plymouth; H. F. Wade, Mokelumne Hill; Richard Groh, Sutter Creek; H. Tracy, Vallejo; Jos. Bird and wife, Electra; W. H. Nichols, Defender; R. Ballantine and wife, Pine Grove; A. Becker, Sacramento; J. Coha, Oakland; W. Sheets, Stockton.

True and tried friends of the family—DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Best for results and best to take. Reay cheeks and sparkling eyes follow the use of these dependable little pills. They do not gripe or sicken. Sold by F. W. Ruhser.

Lodi Snowed On.

In the basketball game between the Lodi High and lone High at lone Saturday afternoon, the Lodians lost by the top-sided score of 66 to 6. The contest with lone was the first match game in which the Lodi boys had engaged. They were besides up against one of the best teams in the state. The visitors were royally entertained by the lone boys, for whom they entertained the kindest of feelings. A return game will be played in the near future on the local campus.—Stockton Independent.

Pay Your City Tax.

Next Thursday is the last day for the payment of city taxes. After that date the penalty will be added. Many seem to labor under the impression that municipal taxes become delinquent at the same time as state and county taxes, namely on the last Monday in November. This is a mistake. City taxes are delinquent after the first Thursday in November, which falls on the 1st this year. So far not more than one third of the taxes have been paid. Property holders must hurry up to the city collector's office, and square the bill, if they do not wish to be assessed for costs.

A cold is much more easily cured when the bowels are open. Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar opens the bowels and drives the cold out of the system in young or old. Sold by F. W. Ruhser.

Caution Not to Trust.

The undersigned hereby notifies all parties not to trust to any of my children, or other parties on my account without my written authority. I will not be responsible for any debts contracted hereafter without my written authority.

Jackson, Oct. 8, 1906.

Notice to Creditors.

Estate of Giuseppe A. Garbarini deceased. Notice is hereby given by

